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Serial No. 10/047,689 : Group Art Unit 1751  
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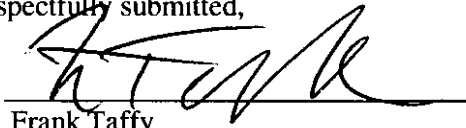
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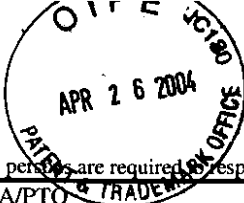
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